

City of Gahanna

*200 South Hamilton Road
Gahanna, Ohio 43230*



Meeting Minutes

Monday, January 11, 2010

7:00 PM

Council Committee Rooms

Public Service & Safety

*John McAlister, Chair
Thomas C. Evers
Shane Ewald*

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES:

Emery; Reveal; Andrako; Wetherholt; Murphy; Franey; Mumma; Williams; Woodward, Braun

Members Present: John McAlister, Thomas C. Evers and Shane W. Ewald

ISSUES - From City Engineer:**Stormwater Code Update**

McAlister stated it was nice to be back in Service and Safety; this is where the rubber meets the road; appreciate being here.

Wetherholt stated this is something that the Engineering and Service departments have been working on since the end of summer; trying to get these 2 chapters up to speed with current Ohio EPA regulations; reviewed it thoroughly; took it through Planning Commission and they recommended it on to Council; requires an ordinance to bring these 2 sections up to speed; provided an executive summary to generally state what code sections will be doing. McAlister asked what have we been operating on up until now. Wetherholt stated our last update was in 1991; since then code has been updated to bring some of the stormwater detention up to speed; added the sediment erosion control; also adds post construction controls; have gotten by without having it codified and just having engineers comply with Ohio EPA codes; got compliance without too much problem; however as part of our permit the EPA wants our code to match theirs. McAlister asked if this code is more detailed since we had been getting along just fine with the old code. Wetherholt stated these are much better guidelines for detention requirements and there have been a lot of changes in technology and methodology since then.

RECOMMENDATION: 1st Reading; Consent; No need to come back; 2nd Reading; Consent

Clotts Road Right of Way Annexation

Wetherholt stated in 2008 we brought forward an annexation for the Deckers; they wanted to be annexed; as a result of George Parker's development of Hamilton Park we needed to put a water line through the Decker's property; Decker granted the easement so they could have water as part of the deal; George Parker paid him for the easement and then we annexed them and eliminated the roadway right of way; now we are annexing the piece of right of way that completes Clotts Road; keeps that area from being an isolated block; the first ordinance is one that authorizes the City attorney to file the annexation petition; the second piece of legislation will be a services ordinance that shows water/sewer services are available; that will come through after the annexation petition ordinance, but will have to have waiver of 2nd reading and emergency because it has to be passed within 20 days after the petition is filed.

RECOMMENDATION: 1st Reading; Consent; No need to come back; 2nd Reading; Consent on Annexation Petition ordinance

RECOMMENDATION: 1st Reading with Waiver of 2nd Reading; Emergency on Services Ordinance when ready.

ISSUES - From Director of Public Service:

Franklin County Board of Health 2010 Contract

Emery stated we have come forward with a couple pieces of legislation; both are yearly contracts; we receive quarterly reports from Franklin County Board of Health; covers many areas as listed in report; bringing Health Department Contract and Mosquito Control at the same time; showed break down on costs per capita.

RECOMMENDATION: 1st Reading; Consent; No need to come back; 2nd Reading
Consent

Franklin Soil & Water Conservation District & Working Agreement

Emery stated over the last several years we have brought forward an agreement with the district; basically they assist us in meeting EPA stormwater requirements to help with our NPDES permits; report gives an outline of those items.

RECOMMENDATION: 1st Reading; Consent; No need to come back; 2nd Reading;
Consent

Columbus FiberNet

Emery stated this came up very late in the budget process; error on our part; did not include money for Columbus Fiber Net; talked internally and thought it would be appropriate to come forward now to supplement the necessary funds; they provide services for our fiber infrastructure; apologize for error; amount of appropriation is \$30,500.

RECOMMENDATION: 1st Reading; Consent; No need to come back; 2nd Reading;
Consent

Update- Hydrant Installation

Emery noted we made a change this year rather than contracting out hydrant installation we took care of it in house; we were able to almost double the number of hydrants that we replace; we will continue that program; appreciate Council's support.

ISSUES - From Clerk of Court:**Public Defender Contract**

Woodward stated this is a yearly renewal; Franklin County Public Defender for indigent; McAlister asked how many we have per year. Woodward stated that it is based in Franklin County and then we get the bill. Kneeland clarified that it was all paid for through court fees and was self funded.

RECOMMENDATION: 1st Reading with Waiver of 2nd Reading; Emergency

Stacey Bashore, Deputy Clerk of Council reporting